

**City of Covington  
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, February 24, 2015**

(This meeting was recorded and will be retained for a period of six years from the date of the meeting).

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Covington was called to order in the City Council Chambers, 16720 SE 271<sup>st</sup> Street, Suite 100, Covington, Washington, Tuesday, February 24, 2015, at 7:03 p.m., with Mayor Harto presiding.

**COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

Margaret Harto, Joe Cimaomo, Mark Lanza, Marlla Mhoon, Jim Scott, and Sean Smith.

**COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jeff Wagner.

**Council Action: Councilmember Cimaomo moved and Councilmember Scott seconded to excuse Mayor Pro Tem Wagner. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.**

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Regan Bolli, City Manager; Don Vondran, Public Works Director; Noreen Beaufriere, Personnel Manager; Rob Hendrickson, Finance Director; Kevin Klason, Covington Police Chief; Richard Hart, Community Development Director; Karla Slate, Communications & Marketing Manager; Scott Thomas, Parks & Recreation Director; Bob Lindskov, City Engineer; Sara Springer, City Attorney; and Sharon Scott, City Clerk/Executive Assistant.

Mayor Harto opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**Council Action: Councilmember Mhoon moved and Councilmember Cimaomo seconded to approve the Agenda. Vote: 6-0. Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

**Patricia Lynch, 17015 SE Wax Road, Covington,** expressed concerns about the increase in vehicles on Wax Road with the temporary closure of Covington Way, stating she is having difficulties crossing the street at the crosswalk as vehicles are not stopping. Ms. Lynch requested that the speed limit be reduced and additional markings be placed at the crosswalk and an additional crosswalk created further down Wax Road.

There being no further comments, Mayor Harto closed the public comment period.

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:**

C-1. Minutes: January 31, 2015 City Council Annual Strategic Planning Summit and February 10, 2015 City Council Special & Regular Meeting Minutes.

C-2. Vouchers: Vouchers #32085-32187, including ACH Payments and Electronic Funds Transfers and VOID Vouchers #32105-32105, in the Amount of \$196,110.56, Dated February 6, 2015; and Paylocity Payroll Checks #1003395883-1003395898 inclusive, Plus Employee Direct Deposits in the Amount of \$164,755.46, Dated February 13, 2015.

C-3. Approve Payment of Sales Tax Assessment on Park Project.

C-4. Approve Contract with SBS Legal Services for City Attorney Services.

C-5. Execute Task to Design Stormwater Conveyance Improvement Project.

**Council Action: Councilmember Scott moved and Councilmember Lanza seconded to approve the Consent Agenda: 6-0. Motion carried.**

**REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS:**

**Human Services Commission** – No report as Chair Fran McGregor was ill.

**Parks & Recreation Commission** – Chair Laura Morrissey reported on the February 18 meeting.

**Arts Commission** – Chair Lesli Cohan reported on the February 12 meeting.

**Planning Commission** – Chair Bill Judd reported on the February 5 meeting. The February 19 meeting was canceled.

**Economic Development Council** – Next meeting February 26.

**COUNCIL/STAFF COMMENTS:**

Councilmembers and staff discussed Future Agenda Topics and made comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mayor Harto called for public comments.

**Mary Pritchard 26103 197<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Covington**, advised that when the city begins mandatory recycling the rate of those recycling will increase. Mrs. Pritchard asked if it might be more cost effective, due to the shortage of applicants, to hire a couple full time maintenance workers rather than temporary seasonal workers.

**Leroy Stevenson, 26838 166<sup>th</sup> Place SE, Covington**, informed Council that a neighbor's cat was killed by coyotes. Mr. Stevenson additionally informed Council that there are pit bull dogs in his neighborhood and expressed concerns regarding adults and children that have been bitten by the pit bulls. Mr. Stevenson requested Council to review the animal control ordinance and consider adding something to the effect of not being able to walk pit bulls in public or banning them completely.

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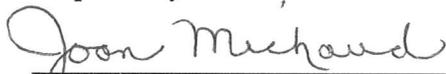
Cliff Page, 17230 SE 267<sup>th</sup> Place, Covington, informed Council that he has lived in the Burwood Park residential neighborhood in the downtown area behind Walgreens for 40 years. Mr. Page advised that his neighborhood has not had any improvements in over 50 years and still has no sewer, no road improvements, no street lighting, and no sidewalks. Mr. Page requested Council to consider allocating funds to his neighborhood.

There being no further comments, Mayor Harto closed the public comment period.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

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City Clerk